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For: METHODS FOR USING RIBOPRIMERS THAT ENCODE  
ONE STRAND OF A DOUBLE-STRANDED PROMOTER

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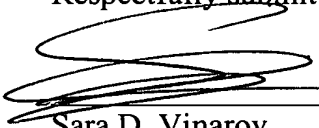
**CLAIM OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS UNDER 37 CFR 1.27**

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Sir:

The applicants of the above-identified patent application hereby assert that the application is entitled to small entity status. Therefore, please make the corresponding change in the application.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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